

WHAT'S HAPPENING WEDNESDAY

Kansas Immunization Program

Sept. 26, 2018

VFC Consultant On-Call

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CHIEF CHAT

Thursday, Sept. 27, marks the annual kickoff of the flu vaccination campaign led by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the National Foundation for Infectious Diseases (NFID), and many partners working together to protect people from flu during the 2018-2019 flu season.

#FightFlu this season by getting yourself and your loved ones vaccinated today! Spread the word to others.

Here's how:

- **Watch the kick-off of the 2018-2019 flu vaccination campaign.** Tune in Thursday, Sept. 27, at 10:00 a.m. ET to the NFID press conference taking place at the National Press Club in Washington, D.C. U.S. Surgeon General Jerome Adams, MD, MPH, will be the key note speaker and will be joined by pediatrician Wendy Sue Swanson, MD, MBE; obstetrician Laura Riley MD; and CDC's Influenza Division director Dr. Dan Jernigan. [Watch here!](#)
- **Join the #FightFlu Twitterstorm on September 27.** Tweet messages about flu prevention and why you choose to vaccinate using the hashtag #FightFlu. Retweet messages posted by your peers, [@CDCflu](#) and [@NFIDvaccines](#). Let's create a Twitterstorm and spread #FightFlu messages between **10 am and 2 pm ET** on September 27. Go to [CDC's digital media toolkit](#) to find [sample messages](#) and [graphics](#) for inspiration.
- **Continue sharing messages** on the importance of flu vaccination, preventive actions, and antiviral treatment. Resources, including social media, newsletter messages and graphics, are available in our updated 2018-19 [digital campaign toolkit](#). Be sure to see the [3 new animated GIFs](#) focused on flu severity, flu vaccine benefits, and what people may miss if they're sick with flu. Don't forget to use the hashtag #FightFlu!
- **Post tweets Thursday 10 AM – 2 PM ET and support the #FightFlu Twitterstorm.**



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KS-WebIZ

System Down Time October 1st

KSWebIZ will be *unavailable Monday, Oct. 1, at 5 p.m. through Tuesday, Oct. 2, at 8 a.m.*

During this time the entire KSWebIZ system will be offline and unavailable. The Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE) Information Technology department will be performing maintenance on KSWebIZ's database server storage drives. This maintenance will require that the database servers be taken offline. The plan is to begin maintenance promptly at 5 p.m., on Monday, and continue throughout the night to ensure the

servers can be restored by 8 a.m., on Tuesday morning. KSWebIZ will not be able to receive HL7 messages or be accessed while the system is offline. All HL7 messages sent during this time will need to be resubmitted once the system is restored. We know you rely on the critical information and tools in KSWebIZ. We are committed to performing this system maintenance as quickly as possible with the least amount of impact to our users. We apologize for any inconvenience this system maintenance may cause. Thank you.

Vaccine Information Statement Current Publication Date

Anthrax	3/21/18	Tdap	2/24/15
Chickenpox	2/12/18	MMRV	2/12/18
DTaP/DT/DTP	8/24/18	Multi-vaccine	11/05/15
Hepatitis A	7/20/16	PCV 13	11/05/15
Hepatitis B	7/20/16	PPSV	4/24/15
Hib	4/2/15	Polio	7/20/16
HPV	12/2/16	Rabies	10/6/09
Influenza (LAIV4)	8/07/15	Rotavirus	2/23/18
Influenza (IIV3 or IIV4)	8/07/15	Shingles	2/12/18
Japan. enceph.	1/24/14	Smallpox	10/01/09
MenACWY	8/24/18	Td	4/11/17
MenB	8/09/16	Typhoid	5/29/12
MMR	2/12/18	Yellow fever	3/30/11



INJECTION OF EDUCATION

Immunization Action Coalition (IAC) Updates two Ask the Experts Sections

Have you heard of the acronym SIRVA? SIRVA stands for Shoulder Injury Related to Vaccine Administration. SIRVA is thought to be caused by the inadvertent administration of a vaccine into the bursa of the shoulder or joint space. In layman's terms, the vaccine is administered too high and is administered into the joint area instead of the deltoid muscle area. This often results in a rapid onset of shoulder pain and limited range of motion following a vaccine received in the deltoid region. SIRVA can cause severe enough damage to result in the need for physical or occupational therapy and in some cases surgery.

Where exactly should an intramuscular (IM) injection be administered in the deltoid region? The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) offers this advice, "It is very important to use the landmarks we were taught when administering any injection. Remember that the deltoid muscle is like an inverted triangle in the upper arm. Once you locate the acromion process, which is the summit or high point of the shoulder, come down 2 to 3 fingerbreadths, below the acromion process. The bottom border of the triangle point is where the axillary fold or armpit starts. The middle of the triangular-shaped deltoid muscle is the midline of the lateral aspect of the arm. Use these landmarks to locate the belly or meatiest part of the muscle, which is in the center of that triangle. This is where the IM injection should be administered." This information is part of a CDC question and answer document found at: <https://www2.cdc.gov/vaccines/ed/pinkbook/2018/downloads/PB4/PB4.pdf>

Are you looking for a quick reference for IM vaccine administration for adults? Take a few minutes to review this handout from the CDC, *You Call the Shots, Know the Site. Get it Right!* <https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/hcp/infographics/call-the-shots.pdf>

This resource would be the perfect resource to print and post in your vaccine preparation locations!

IAC's [Ask the Experts: Influenza](#) and [Ask the Experts: Pneumococcal](#) web pages have been completely reviewed and updated by experts at CDC.

[Ask the Experts: Influenza.](#)

Revisions include inclusion of information about the use of live attenuated influenza vaccine (LAIV); revised recommendations for vaccination of persons with egg allergy; updated data, statistics, and links; and a variety of editorial revisions.

[Ask the Experts: Pneumococcal.](#)

The revision primarily involved updating the website URLs and references and minor editorial changes.

IAC's [Ask the Experts web section](#) is a compilation of common as well as challenging questions and answers (Q&As) about vaccines and their administration. William Atkinson, MD, MPH, IAC's associate director for immunization education, manages this web section, with answers provided by Andrew T. Kroger, MD, MPH; Candice L. Robinson, MD, MPH; Raymond A. Strikas, MD, MPH, FACP, FIDSA; Tina S. Objio, MSN, MHA, RN; and JoEllen Wolicki, BSN, RN, all from the CDC.



VAX FACTS

Influenza Disease and Vaccine Facts

- **FACT:** Influenza vaccines are safe and are the best way to help prevent influenza.
- **FACT:** Every adult in the US should get the influenza vaccine every year.
- **FACT:** Circulating influenza viruses change often, which affects how severe and how common the illness is from year to year.
- **FACT:** Flu seasons are unpredictable and can be severe. Between 1976 and 2006, estimates of flu-associated deaths in the US ranged from a low of about 3,000 to a high of about 49,000 people.
- **FACT:** In the U.S., more than 200,000 individuals are hospitalized by influenza every year, including 20,000 children.
- **FACT:** Infants younger than six months cannot get influenza vaccine, but they are high risk of serious complications and hospitalization if they get the flu. The best way to protect them is by vaccinating everyone around them.
- **FACT:** The flu is caused only by influenza virus. People often mistake other, less severe illnesses with influenza, like the common cold or the “stomach flu,” which is not influenza at all. Stomach illnesses are caused by other viruses, like norovirus, and many types of bacteria.
- **FACT:** Total direct hospitalization costs of a severe influenza epidemic are estimated to be over \$6 billion.
- **FACT:** Influenza vaccine is needed every year because the immunity wears off over time and also because in most years the vaccine is updated to match circulating strains.
- **FACT:** Influenza can make chronic conditions worse. It can be associated with heart attacks, make it harder for diabetics to control their sugar levels, make asthma worse, and lead to

Vaccine Redistribution

Please email any additions or changes to be made on the Vaccine Redistribution lists with subject matter “Redistribution” to kdhe.vaccine@ks.gov or call toll free at 1-877-296-0464 [Vaccine Redistribution information and lists](#).

REMINDERS: Providers may place the excess doses on the KIP Redistribution list if:

1. The vaccine has a minimum of 90 days and a maximum of 365 days before the vaccine's expiration date.
2. The ordering provider is responsible for any doses which expire on the redistribution list that have not been accepted for transfer to another VFC provider.
3. Providers accepting vaccine from the redistribution list are responsible for using the doses once they are transferred. KIP encourages providers to accept only doses they can administer before the expiration date.
4. The transferring and receiving provider will document these doses on their monthly reconciliation reports as transferred vaccines.
5. Once vaccine is transferred please contact KIP to let us know so we can adjust the redistribution list by either deleting the line or by reducing the amount of doses.
6. All vaccines must be in full boxes.
7. The KIP Regional Immunization Consultant who is on call must be contacted prior to transferring vaccine.
8. Providers are responsible for keeping KIP notified if there is a change in amount of doses available for redistribution.
9. When placing an order, you may be contacted if the vaccine you are trying to order is on the redistribution list.
10. Varicella and Proquad will not be posted on the VFC or Private Vaccine Redistribution List. Frozen Varivax vaccines are very intolerant to out of range temperatures. To prevent potential vaccine waste the KIP requests that Varivax containing vaccines not be transferred to other providers.